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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, National Intelligence Resources Board

SUBJECT : Cryptologic Program (CCP) Resources for Inclusion  
in CIRIS-70

1. I am pleased to report that we have achieved complete agreement with the NSA representative designated to participate with DCI and DASD(I) representatives in the ad hoc CIRIS Committee working group which you established as a result of the last NIRB meeting.

2. The attached package consists of a formal transmittal memorandum to you and a report with recommendations. The report details our discussions and conclusions on how we should proceed to interrelate the CIRIS and the CCP data bases to provide information for use this spring in support of DASD(I) program review and NIRB issue analysis.

3. The essence of the agreement is that NSA will provide us this spring with machine data runs which they produce in the course of the in-house preparation of the CCP to the extent that we desire such information. Our CIRIS staff will analyze this information and we will construct therefrom data submits in the CIRIS format which we will then process into our community-wide computerized information base. This will free NSA from having to make any special analyses for CIRIS-70 which was what Admiral Gaylor particularly wanted to avoid.

4. This compromise will not provide CIRIS-70 with CCP information that is wholly compatible with the other major intelligence programs. This arrangement, however, will give us about all that it is physically possible for NSA to provide at this time, and this is more than either the TOD or the inter-agency CCP Review Group has had to work with in prior years. It will be quite valuable for both DASD(I) and NIRB in using the CIRIS data base.

5. All things considered, therefore, this arrangement is both reasonable and realistic, and the NSA offer demonstrates an intent on their part to cooperate with CIRIS and NIRB. I want to report, particularly, that we had really fine cooperation from the NSA participants in the Working Group. The NSA representative has been [redacted] assisted by [redacted]. These are the three people Admiral Gaylor has assigned full time as a Task Force to develop a new NSA data system, as he described at the last NIRB meeting. I am impressed with the competence, objectivity and thoroughness with which the NSA Task Force appears to be carrying out that assignment. They have a long way to go, and they are going to need continued support both from

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within and from outside their organization if any such concept is to be implemented for the CY71 program cycle. On the basis of what I have seen to date, they deserve further support and encouragement. Recommendation #2 of the attached report relates to this matter.

6. If you agree with our Working Group report, to implement the arrangement formally I believe it would be appropriate for you to transmit the report to Mr. Froehlke and Admiral Bowen with the suggestion that one of the latter communicate with Admiral Gaylor. The alternative is a direct exchange of communications between the Chairman, NIRB and the Director, NSA.



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Chairman, CIRIS Committee Ad Hoc Working Group

Attached:

Memorandum of transmittal and Report and Recommendations of the CIRIS Committee's Special Ad Hoc Working Group, dated 3 February 1970, file SC-06748

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